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1. Headquarters of border guards "Ouchastuk" is located at Nevrokop and is designated by the code name of "Podeleniye Stritsin". It covers an area of between forty and fifty kilometers of the border. This "Ouchastuk" has five "Zastavas" which are located as follows:

a. Lovcha. = code name "Trepelika"
 b. Libyahovo = code name "Minzouhar"
 c. Peritsa = code name "Lipa"
 d. Tepeln = code name "Malina"
 e. Beslen = code name "Kesten"

2. Personnel: Some of the officers and non-commissioned officers now serving in this "Ouchastuk" are as follows:

a. Podeleniye Stritsin (Nevrokop):

1) Commanding Officer, Captain Bogoev
 2) First Lieutenant Kostadinov
 3) First Lieutenant Mladenov
 4) Second Lieutenant Stankov
 5) Second Lieutenant Angiozov

b. Trepelika (Lovcha):

1) Commanding Officer, Second Lieutenant Angel Laskov Zahariev - age 24

c. Minzouhar (Libyahovo):

1) Commanding Officer, Second Lieutenant Simcon Spasov Iosifo - age 35
 2) Sergeant Boris Bonkov - age 35
 3) Sergeant Poulev - age 30

d. Malina. (Tepeln):

1) Commanding Officer, Sergeant Damyanov - age 30
 2) Sergeant Batsanov - age 30

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e. Kesten (Beslen):

1) Commanding Officer, Second Lieutenant Stoyanov - age 25

3. In normal circumstances each "Zastava" consists of thirty men. At headquarters of the "Ouchastuk" (Novrokop) there are about forty men held in reserve. These men are used to reinforce the "Zastavas" in the event of an emergency. At present, all five "Zastavas" have received reinforcements.

4. At headquarters of the "Ouchastuk" there are two German police dogs. The "Zastava" at Libyahovo also has two German police dogs. These dogs are trained to accompany border patrols and to track down border crossers.

5. Each "Zastava" is allotted approximately eight to ten kilometers of the border. The established procedure calls for four groups of two men to be stationed at various places during the day in ambushes. At night these groups consist of three men each. Also, in addition to the ambushes, each "Zastava" sends out two guards, generally accompanied by dogs (if available) to patrol the border proper. The location of the ambushes is changed every day. The old border guard posts (houses) are not manned.

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